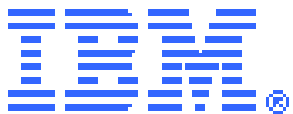


# Cut-and-Paste Editing of Multiresolution Surfaces

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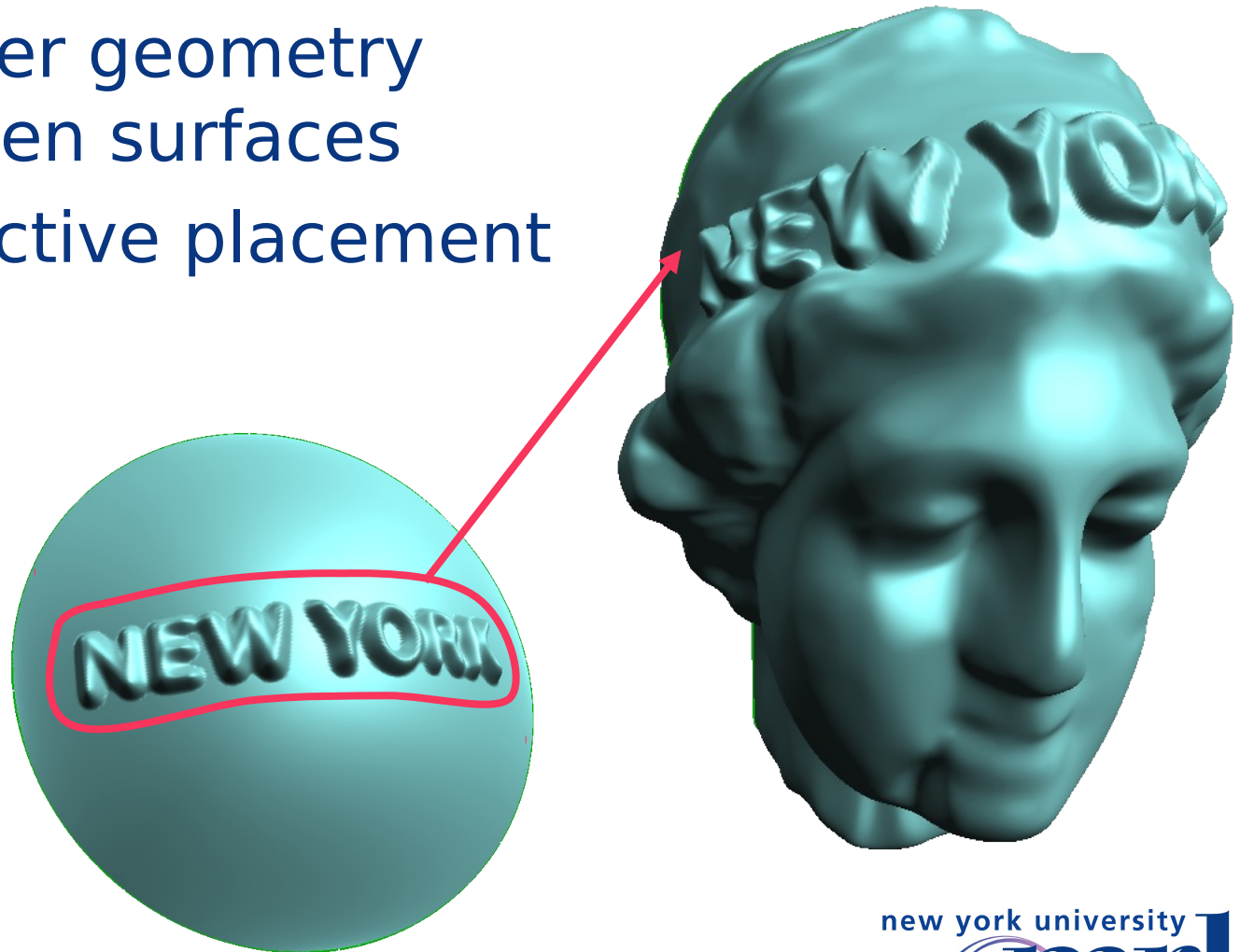
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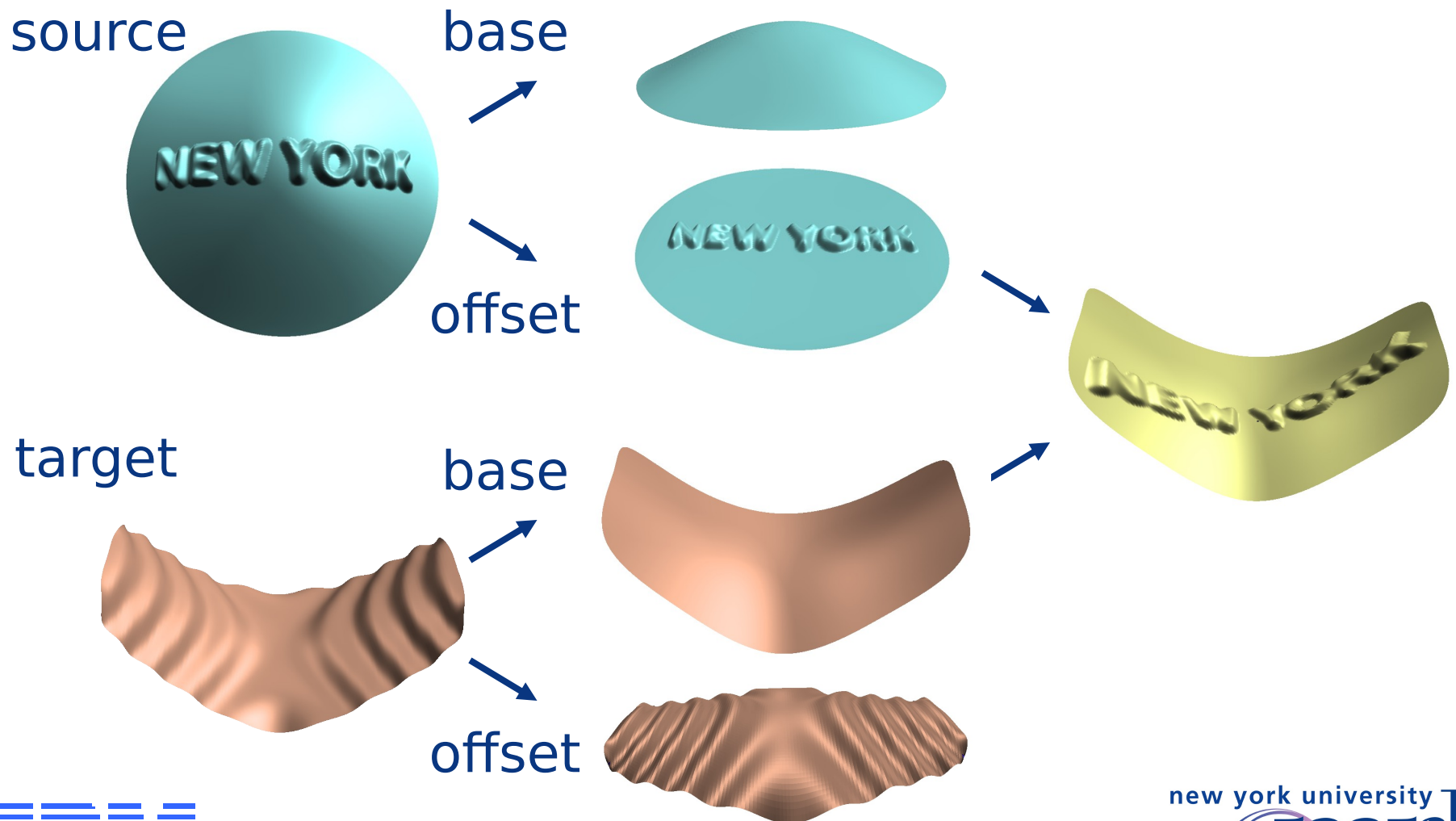


# Surface Pasting

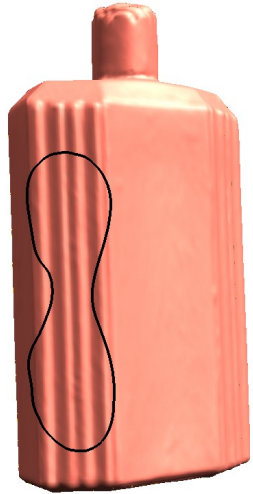
- Transfer geometry between surfaces
- Interactive placement



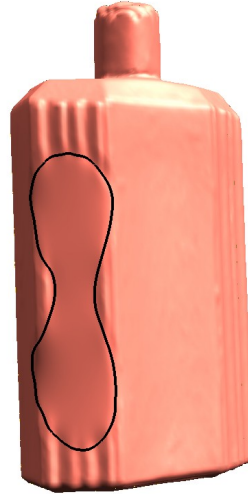
# Approach



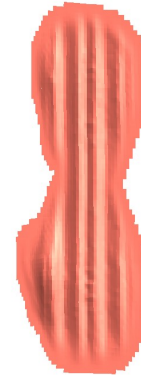
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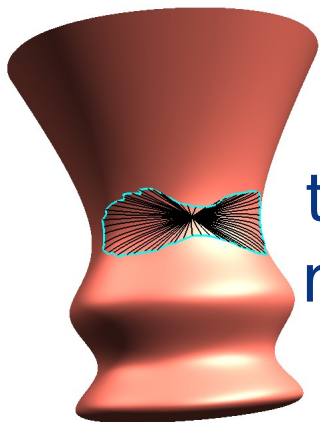
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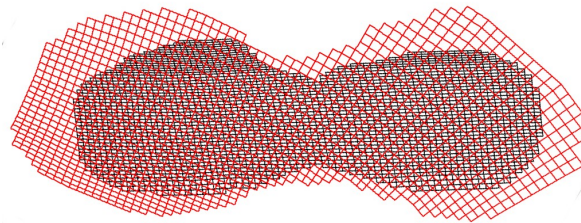
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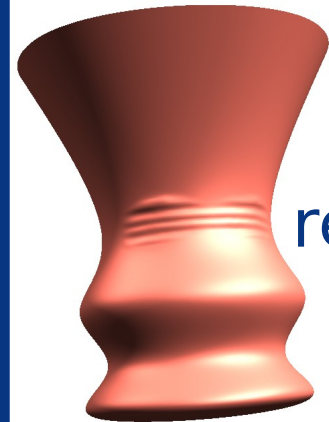
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# Related Work

## Spline pasting

- Forsey [88], Barghiel [95], Mann [97]

## Base/detail separation

- Kobbelt [98], Guskov [99], Lee [00]

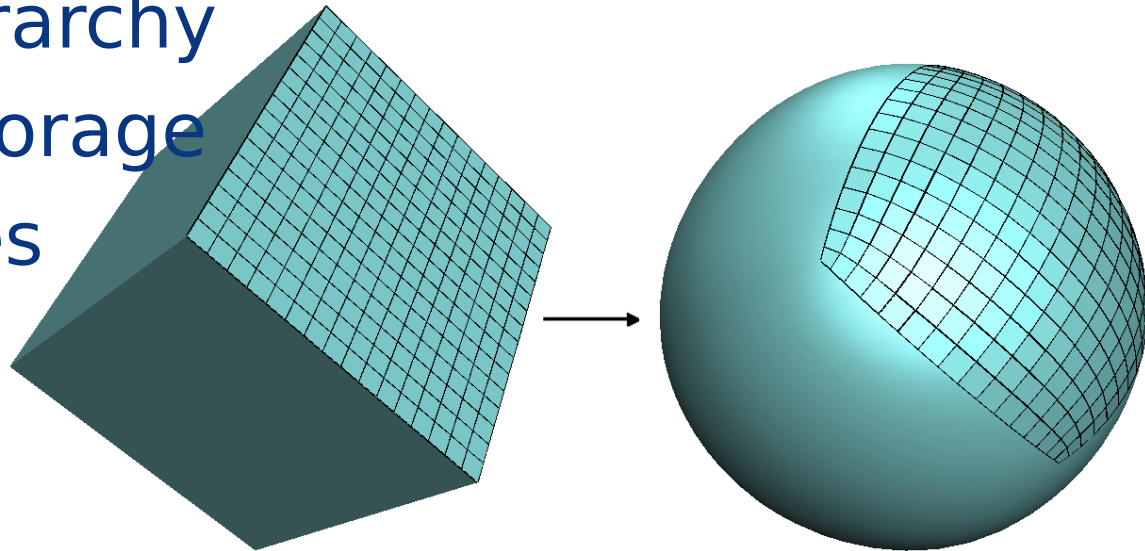
## Surface parameterization

- Eck [95], Pedersen [95,96], Floater [97], Guskov [00], Sheffer [00], Desbrun [02], Levy [02]

# Multiresolution

## Surfaces Efficient algorithms and data structures

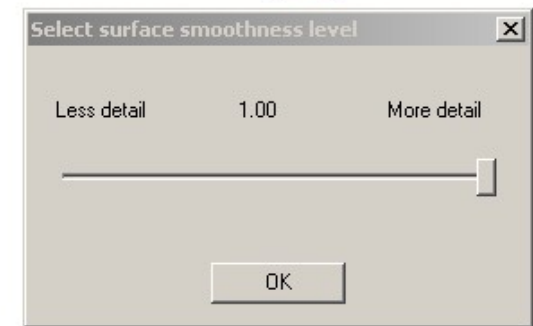
- Natural parameterization
- Natural hierarchy
- Compact storage
- Local frames



# Base / Detail

## Separation

- Controlled by a single parameter: flatness
- Smoothly varying from soapfilm to the original surface
- Use soapfilm surface to get a flatter base than the coarsest level
- Use fitting/quasi-interpolation at different subdivision levels to get discrete set





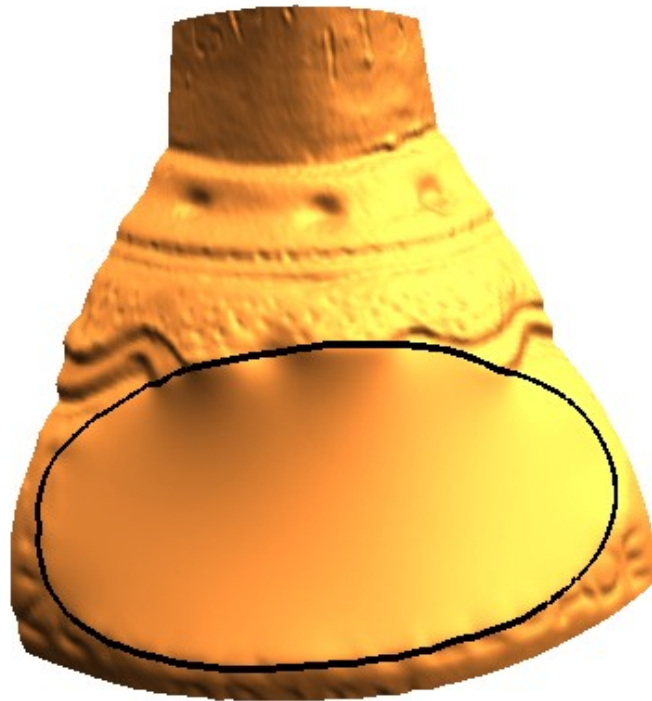
# Family of Base faces



source



target



base surface



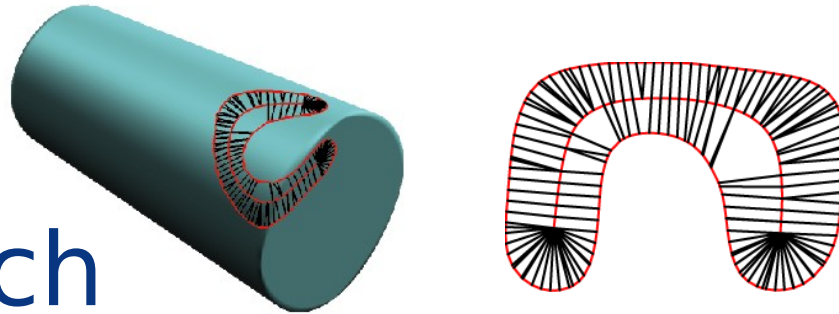
pasting result  
new york university



# Target Region Finding

## Problem

- Find the target region to be parameterized
- Closely match feature size and shape



## Approach

- Parameterize source boundary w.r.t. a spine
- Transfer the spine to the target surface
- Identify boundary on target, perform flood fill

# Radial

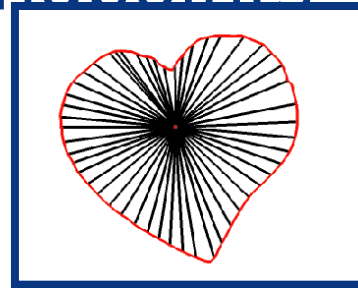
Parameterization

- Source: parameterize feature boundary by angle and distance

- Target: shoot geodesic rays, their endpoints



selected region



radial  
parameterization



target region

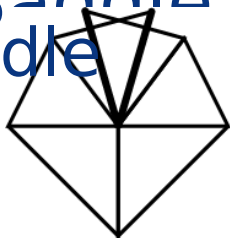
# Geodesics

## Continuity property:

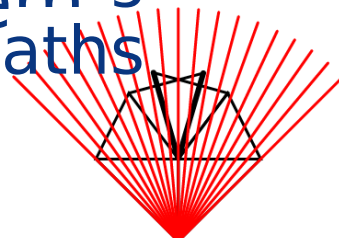
“The distance between the endpoints of two geodesics emanating from the same point can be made arbitrarily small by decreasing the angle between them.”

- Not true for straightest geodesics!

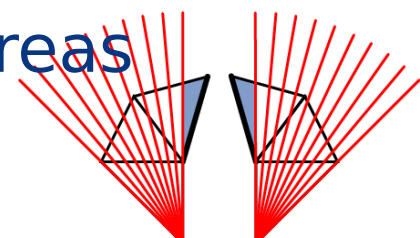
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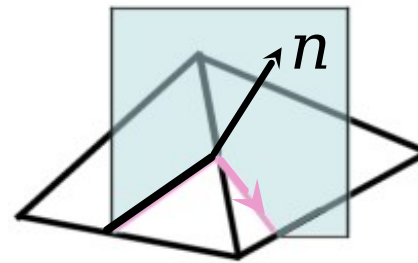
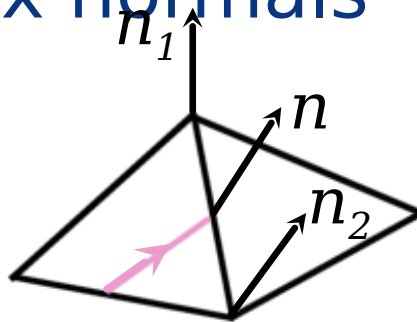
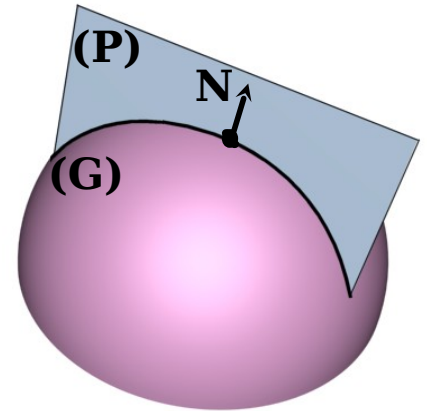


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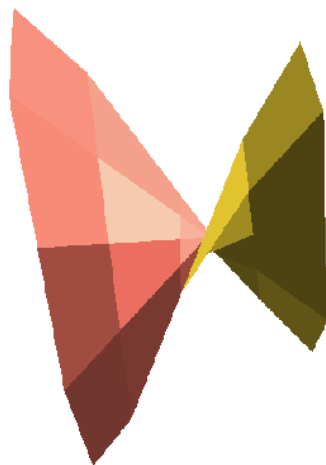


# Normal Geodesics

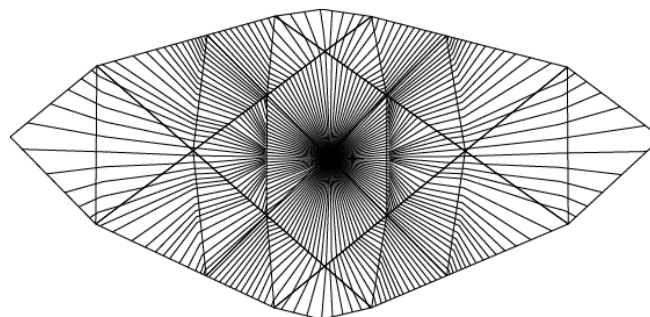
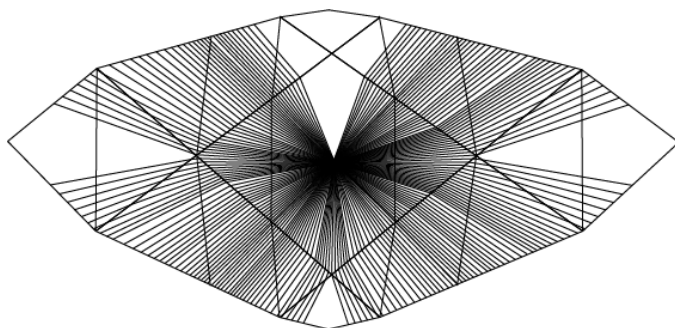
- Geodesics on smooth surfaces are locally normal curves
- Discrete setting: walk from triangle to triangle in a direction perpendicular to the normal interpolated from the vertex normals



# Geodesics



3D saddle mesh



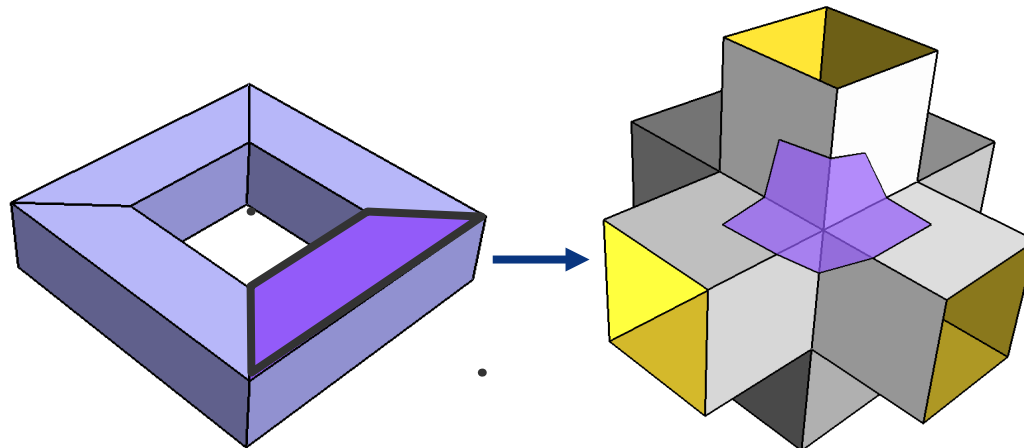
straightest geodesics    interpolated normal geodesics

# Parameterization

Approach: parameterize both source and target onto a plane

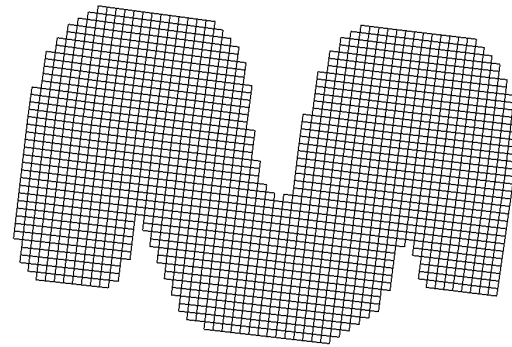
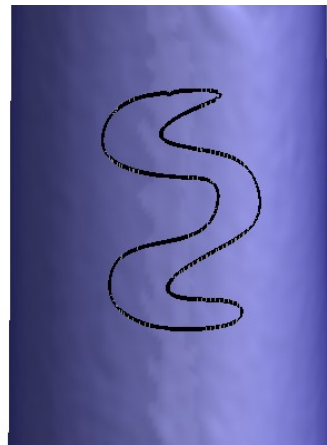
Why use an intermediate plane?

- Direct construction of mapping from surface to surface is difficult
- Quality functionals are difficult to define and expensive to optimize



# Requirements

- One-to-one for resampling purposes
- Minimize distortion
- Free boundary



- Until recently, nothing available; now several options: Sheffer '00, Desbrun '02, Levy'02



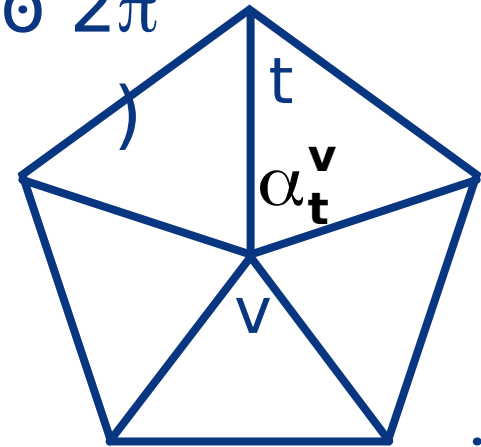
# Angle-Based

(Sheffer & de Sturler'00)

Use angles as variables:

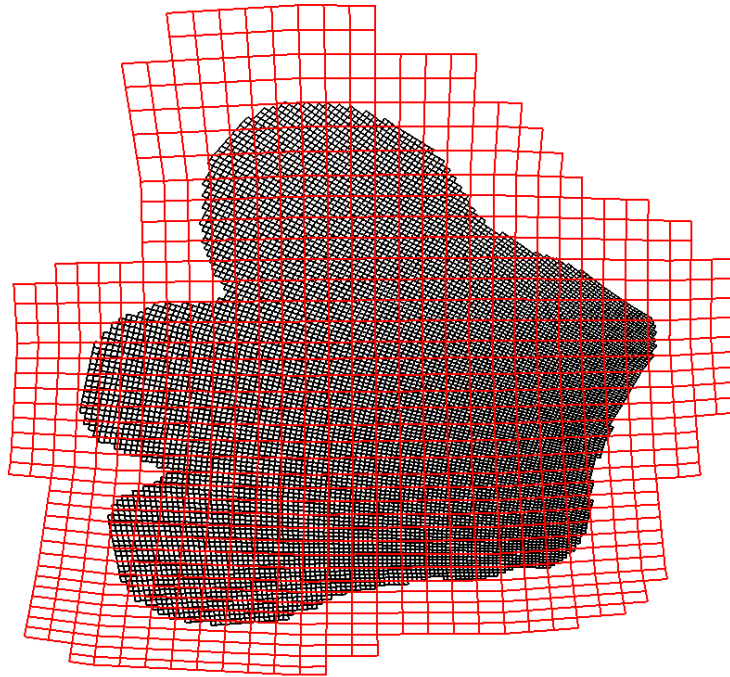
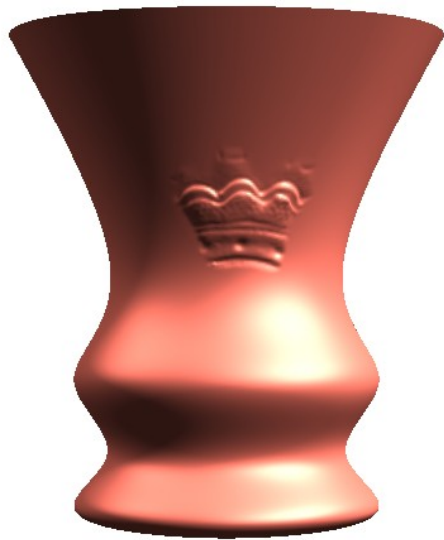
- Set target angle  $\phi_t^v$  so that at each vertex  $v$  angles sum up to  $2\pi$   
(scale angles by  $2\pi / \sum_t \alpha_t^v$ )

- Optimize  $\sum_{t,v} w_t^v (\alpha_t^v - \phi_t^v)^2$   
subject to constraints



# Nonlinear Optimization

- The flatter the mesh, the faster it converges
- Use Newton iteration, solve a linear system
- Conjugate

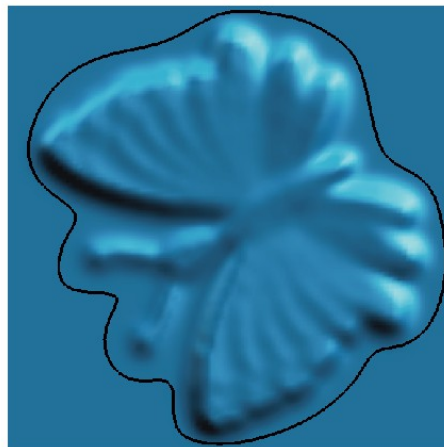
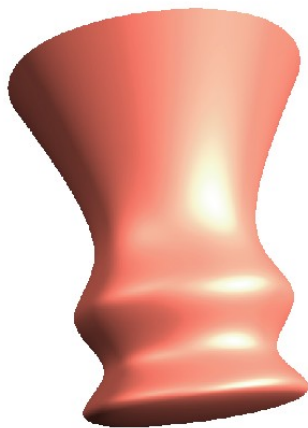


# Resampling

On the common  
parameterization:

- Resample source details at target vertex positions in parametric domain
- Point location + evaluation (bilinear or subdivision)
- Use differentials to transform details

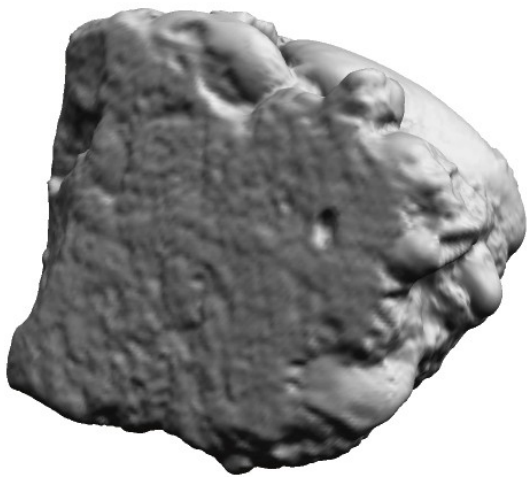
# Examples



# Interactive Demo



# Examples



target

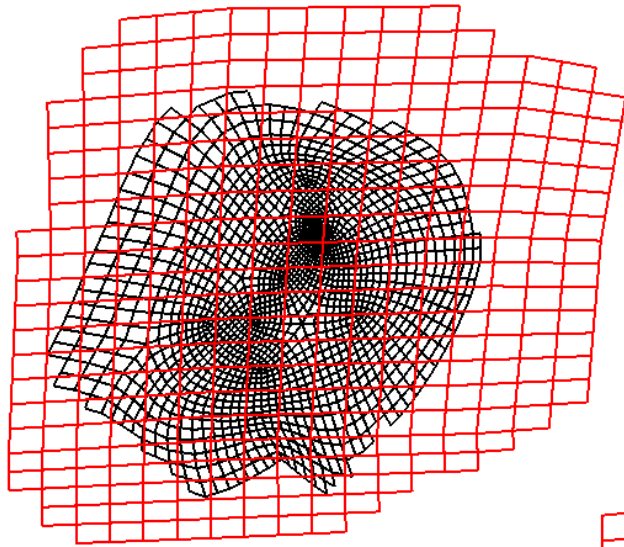


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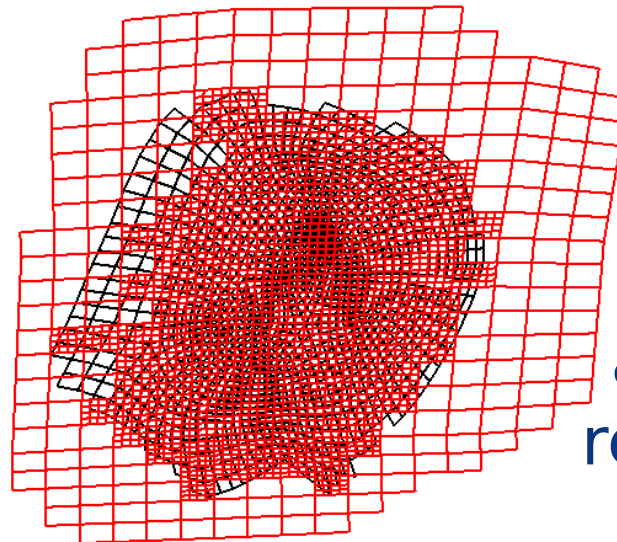
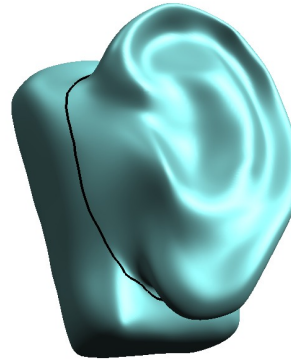


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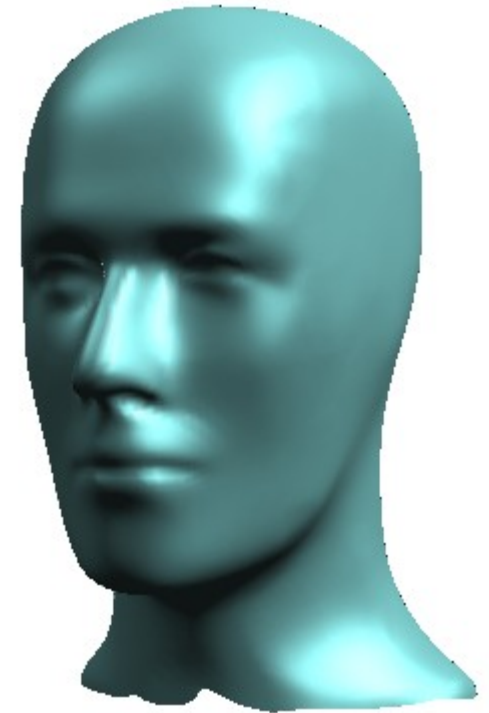
# Examples



uniform  
resampling



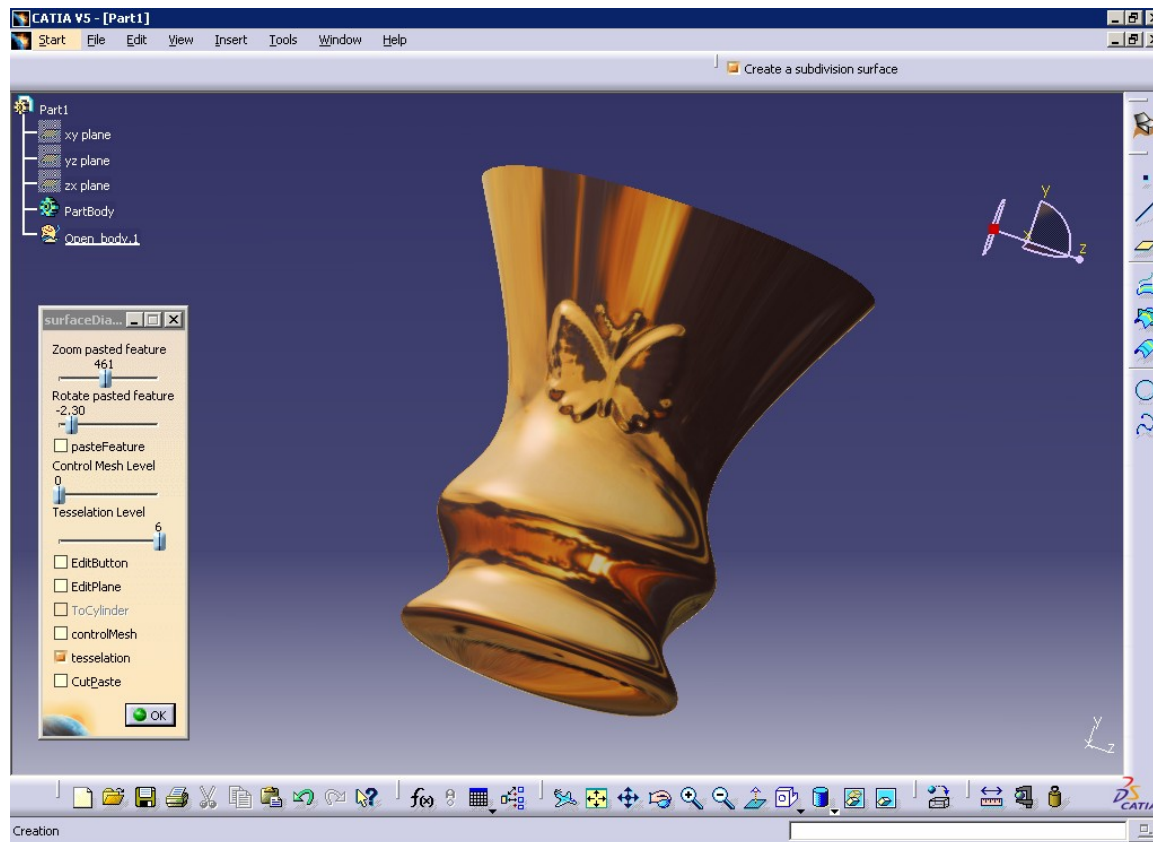
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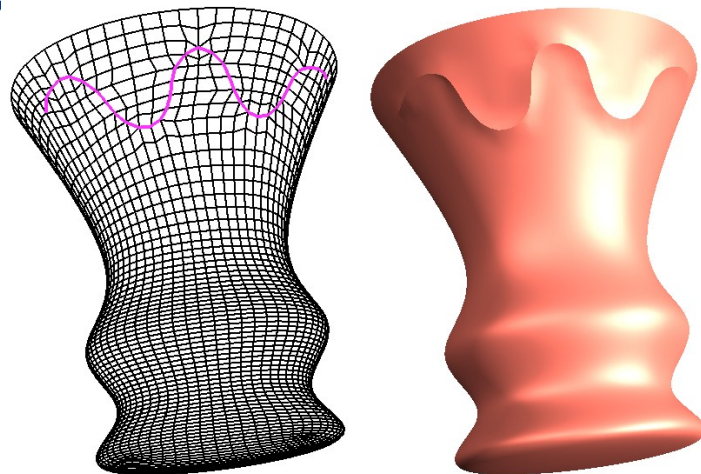
# CATIA Integration

- Prototype cut-and-paste functionality in CATIA (Dassault Systemes)



# Future Work

- Photoshop-like feature blending
- Combine pasting with texture generation
- Sharp features (Biermann, Martin, Zorin, Bernardini, PG2001, GMOD 02)
- Hierarchical



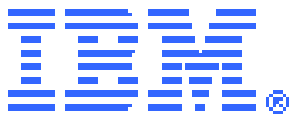
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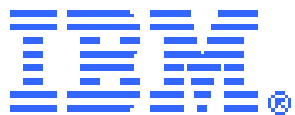
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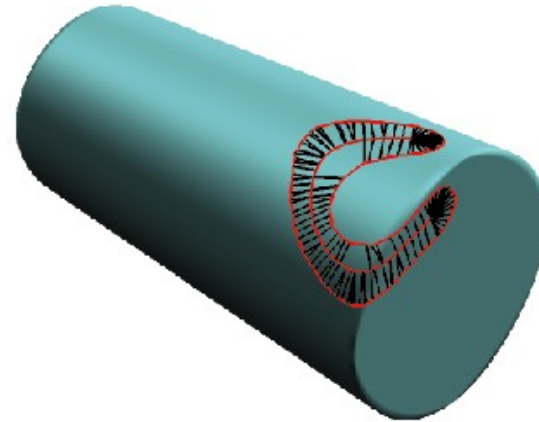
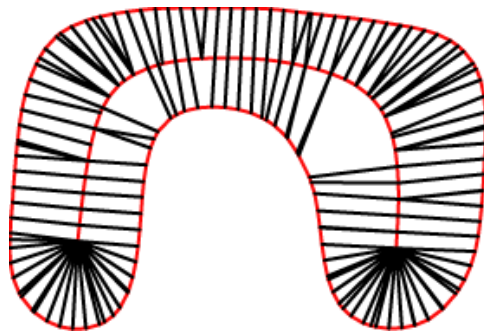
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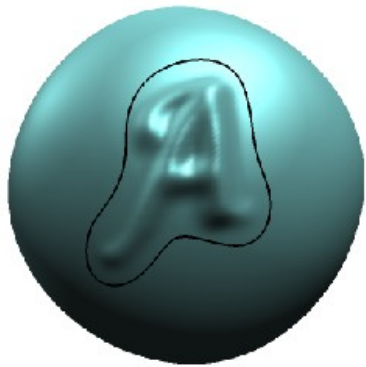
# Generalized Radial Parameterization

- Start with a spine: parameterize boundary by (spine point, direction, distance)
- Map spine onto target
- Walk along geodesic rays from spine points

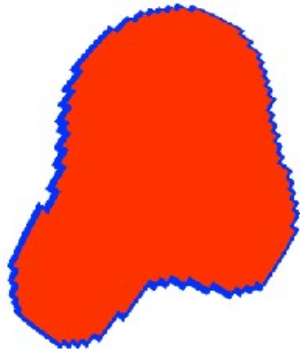


# Blending

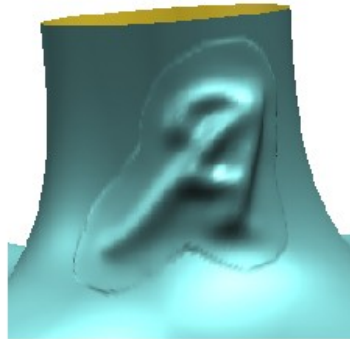
Smooth transition between the  
pasted feature and the target



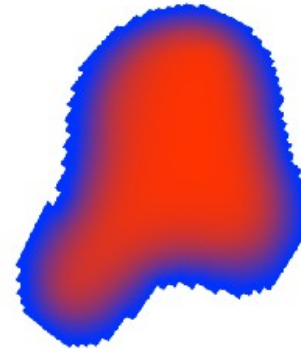
feature



original  
alpha map



pasting w/o  
blending



smoothed  
alpha map



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